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SUBJ: REPORT TO SYG BY UN PALESTINE CONCILIATION
COMMISSION

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1. REVIEW OF FILES WILL INDICATE THAT INCLUSION ENTIRE
LAST SENTENCE OF PARAGRAPH 4 PROPOSED PCC REPORT TO SYG
(USUN 3498) WAS QUIETLY OPPOSED BY US IN 1972 RPT 1972
TEXT, ACCEPTED BY TURKISH AND INSISTED UPON BY FRENCH
(USUN 3561 OF 1972). THEREFORE, BEING SLIGHTLY OFF
BALANCE FROM DEPT'S "STRONG PREFERENCE" FOR INCLUSION
THIS YEAR (STATE REFTEL), WE WERE ALMOST BOWLED OVER BY
REVERSAL OF FRENCH POSITION TO STRONG PREFERENCE FOR
TOTALLY ELIMINATING OFFENDING SENTENCE.

2. IN CHASE-CHILDS TELCON SEPT. 28, WE INDICATED TURKS
AND ACTING PRINCIPAL SECRETARY OF PCC, RECALLING ARAB
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UNHAPPINESS WITH THAT SENTENCE LAST YEAR, WERE URGING

ELIMINATING IT AND WE EXPRESSED CAUTIOUS INTEREST THAT FRENCH HAD INDICATED ORALLY THAT THEY WOULD ACCEPT ALTERNATIVE WORDING. FYI -- ARAB UNHAPPINESS IS OVER PHRASE "WILLINGNESS OF PARTIES TO COOPERATE", POINTING OUT THAT THEY HAVE ALWAYS BEEN WILLING COOPERATE, IT IS ONLY ISRAEL THAT REFUSES TO. -- END FYI. IT WAS WITH SOME CONSTERNATION THAT WE FOUND, IN INFORMAL PCC MEETING CALLED BY US ON MORNING OCT. 1 AT REQUEST OF FRENCH, THAT THEY NOW RPT NOW JOIN TURKS IN CALLING FOR DROPPING ENTIRE LAST SENTENCE. THEIR RATIONALE IS (A) AGREEMENT WITH ARAB VIEW CITED ABOVE; (B) VIEW THAT "FORWARD MOTION" THIS YEAR, NOTED IN PARA 3 OF DRAFT, WAS FORM OF "COOPERATION", IF SOMEWHAT BACKHANDED; AND (C) USE OF ONLY FIRST HALF OF SENTENCE, AS EARLIER SUGGESTED BY TURKS, MIGHT LEAD SHARP EYED READERS COMPARING 1972 AND 1973 TEXTS TO LEAP TO CONCLUSION THAT COOPERATION OF PARTIES WAS NO LONGER CONSIDERED IMPORTANT BY PCC.

3. ACTION: WE THEREFORE SEEK DEPT APPROVAL FOR DROPPING ENTIRE LAST LINE OF PROPOSED DRAFT REPORT, AND REVISING PRESENT PENULTIMATE SENTENCE TO READ: "THE COMMISSION, WHILE REGRETTING THAT IT HAS NOT BEEN IN A POSITION TO CARRY FORWARD ITS WORK FURTHER, NEVERTHELESS REMAINS DETERMINED TO CONTINUE ITS ENDEAVOURS AS SOON AS THIS IS POSSIBLE."

4. AMB. SCHAUFLE WHO IS IN WASHINGTON OCT. 1 (WITH HERZ, IO), MAY WISH COMMENT ON ABOVE.
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